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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
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Kenro NAKAMURA, et al.) Group Art Unit: 1765
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Serial No.: 09/453,831) Examiner: Umez-Eronini, Lynette T.
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Filed: December 2, 1999)
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For: POLISHING METHOD AND)
POLISHING LIQUID)

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Sir:

SECOND NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Examiner's decision of May 20, 2003.

Since a first Notice of Appeal was filed on June 2, 2002, and an Appeal Brief was filed on August 5, 2002, both with appropriate fee payments, there should be no fee required for this second Notice of Appeal. *See* M.P.E.P. § 1208.02 ("Whether appellant elects to continue prosecution or to request reinstatement of the appeal, if prosecution was reopened prior to a decision on the merits by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, the fee paid for the notice of appeal, appeal brief, and request for oral hearing (if applicable) will be applied to a later appeal on the same application.").

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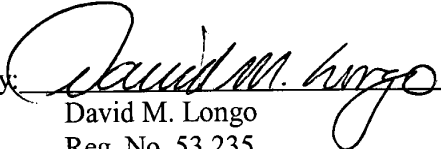
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Respectfully submitted,

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